

Act, 1955 the following expenditure were incurred.

I. SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities - Rs.1.94 crores

II. PCR Act, 1955 - Rs.2.29 crores

A total amount of Rs. 5.50 crores has been allocated during 1991-92 for implementation of the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

(b) The information is being collected.

#### **Bio-Gas Plants in Maharashtra**

446. SHRI VJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bio-gas plants in Maharashtra as on 30th June, 1991;

(b) the number of bio-gas plants to be installed during 1991-92 in Maharashtra;

(c) whether there is any proposal to give the financial assistance to Government of Maharashtra for the development of bio-gas plants and for research work; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) About 4.24 lakh family type biogas plants under the National Project on Biogas Development (NPBD) and 130 community/Institutional Biogas plants (CBP/IBP) have been set up in Maharashtra upto 30.6.1991.

(b) A target of setting up 25000 family

type biogas plants under NPBD has been fixed for 1991-92 for the Govt. of Maharashtra, besides KVIC who are assigned a national target and would also be setting up a substantial number of plants in the State during the year. No State-wise targets are fixed for the installation of community and institutional biogas plants.

However, it is estimated that about 20 such plants would be commissioned in the State during 1991-92.

(c) and (d). Financial assistance under NPBD is provided to the States/implementing agencies on the basis of the actual number of plants/implementing agencies on the basis of the actual number of plants installed. On an average basis, for a target of 25000 plants, about Rs. 7.0 crores are expected to be released to the Govt. of Maharashtra during 1991-92.

For the Research & Development projects in biogas financial assistance is provided to the R&D institutions and Universities.

#### **Compensation to Victims of Communal Riots**

447. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of communal riots which took place during the last three months;

(b) the main reasons therefor; and

(c) the amount of compensation paid to the families of the killed and to be victims who sustained injuries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). On the basis of available

information the particulars of major communal riots that took place in the country during the last three months i.e. from 1st August,

1991 to 31st October, 1991 are given below:-

<i>Name of the place with date</i>	<i>Main reasons</i>
1. ANDHRA PRADESH HYDERABAD (Sept. 22-28, 1991)	Stone pelting on the Ganesh immersion procession by anti-social elements belonging to another community.
2. BIHAR: CHAKRADHARPUR (District-Singhbhun) (Aug. 8, 1991)	Alleged rape of a tribal girl by a Muslim.

Public order being a State subject, it is for the State Government to take decisions regarding grant of ex-gratia to the next of kin of the victims of the communal violence. The guidelines issued by the Central Government on this subject propose an ex-gratia relief of Rs.50,000/- in case of death.

The Government of Bihar have informed that ex-gratia relief @ Rs. one lakh each to the families of the victims of the communal violence was announced by the Chief Minister, out of which Rs.10,000/- each has already been paid. The information regarding Andhra Pradesh is not available.

### **23rd International Film Festival of India**

448. SHRI G. MADE GOWDA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether 23rd International Film Festival of India will be held at Bangalore; in January, 1992;

(b) if so, the estimated amount of expen-

diture to be incurred for the above Festival;

(c) how many participant are expected to participate in the proposal Festival;

(d) the names of the countries likely to participate the Film Festival; and

(e) the amount to be shared by the Karnataka Government for the above Festival?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An expenditure of Rs. 90 lakhs has been estimated to be incurred by the Government of India.

(c) About 115 foreign and Indian film makers, artists, producers etc., are expected to participate as guests of the festival. In addition, about 3,000 delegates representing Indian film industry and film organisations and about 400 film journalists, photog-